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25X1A 1. Mr. Fisher, Legal Advisor to the Department of State, Mr. Trueheart of the Intelligence Office of the Department, and I conferred on the intelligence situation in connection with the MacArthur hearings. Mr. Fisher desired to know who had the intelligence responsibilities and in what areas those responsibilities lay in Korea; the areas of intelligence responsibility between Washington and the field; and in what way if any, our operations were hampered by Gen. MacArthur's command. I informed Mr. Fisher that under the National Security Act of 1947 CIA had the responsibility for the production of national intelligence; that tactical intelligence in the field was the responsibility of the military commander; that NSCID #5 assigned the responsibilities for covert operations to CIA subject to certain limitations in theatres of military command and that I was not prepared to comment as to our relations with Gen. MacArthur. After consultation with [REDACTED] I have reaffirmed this position to Mr. Fisher, pointing out that Gen. Smith assumed directorship of CIA on 1 Oct. and would not comment on anything prior to that date.

2. Mr. Larkin, General Counsel, Department of Defense, has been requested by Chairman Russell, of the Senate Armed Services Committee to establish a panel to review the MacArthur hearings testimony for security purposes prior to its publication. Mr. Larkin has offered us a position on that panel. I have informed

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him that the Director does not wish to have a CIA man on the panel but will probably ask Gen. Bolling, the Army G-2, to cover the CIA interests.

3. Mr. Dayton Hull of the Foreign Personnel Division of the Department of State held a meeting to discuss the State Department's proposed legislation which will permit the Government to pay for the education of the children of Government employees overseas. Considerable differences of opinion arose between the Department of State and the Department of Defense which will require ironing out. I informed Mr. Hull that although CIA might approve of the bill in principle, we ~~should~~ would not be in a position to testify as we could not reveal the number of children or personnel CIA had overseas. On that basis he stated that in all probability he would not request a formal expression of opinion on the legislation from CIA.

4. Mr. Darby, of the Washington office of Time/Life magazine, called Mr. Earman regarding pictures of the Eastern Zone of Germany which Rep. Chatham was supposed to have taken last year, and which were alleged to be in CIA possession. I informed Mr. Darby that CIA did not have the pictures & that from my conversations with Cong. Chatham I had reason to believe that no such pictures actually existed.